

For 50 years Folsom Dam has provided the residents of Sacramento with increased flood protection, recreation, water storage, and power. With proposed modifications to Folsom Dam in the pipeline, Californians will enjoy even greater flood protection in the years to come. Mr. Speaker, as residents of Sacramento gather to commemorate this significant milestone, I ask all of my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to the 50th anniversary of Folsom Dam.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE  
CHEERLEADERS OF VICTORIA  
MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL IN VIC-  
TORIA, TEXAS

HON. RON PAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 15, 2006*

Mr. PAUL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Cheerleaders of the Victoria Memorial High School in Victoria, Texas for their

many recent accomplishments during the school year that is about to be completed.

Not only did these Cheerleaders win 1st place at the Universal Cheerleaders Association Regional Championship on December 11th, 2005, earning a bid to the National High School Cheerleading Championship in Orlando, Florida. They also won 1st place at the Universal Cheerleaders Association State Championship on January 29, 2006.

Moreover, they won 1st place at the Universal Cheerleaders Association National High School Cheerleading Championship in Orlando, Florida on February 12, 2006. The squad competed against 52 of the top cheerleading squads from across the Nation in the Small Varsity Division. The Memorial High School Cheerleading squad worked their way to the top spot in the Nation by placing among the top ten squads in the Nation since 2001.

In addition to their cheerleading duties, which include cheering at numerous athletic events held by their school and a rigorous practice schedule, each of these girls must maintain an overall grade average of 80 or

above. They also participate in numerous community service activities, such as the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, The American Heart Association's Heart Walk, and Red Ribbon Week. Additionally, they work with elementary and middle schools, building and promoting school spirit.

I want to congratulate Amanda Dunn and Spencer Streetman, Co-Head Cheerleaders as well as the rest of the squad, including: Caitlin Klare, Shelley Frerich, Ashley Blackburn, Marlee Mize, Syndal Brown, Brittney Morris, Sheina Farooqui, Kelcey Newell, Jordan Payne, Stephanie Bess, Ashton Bland, and Kay Boles.

I also wish to commend Head Coach Denise Neel, Choreographer Missy DeLuna and Assistant Coaches Ricky Contreras, Lindsay Neel, Bennie Cunningham, and Sarah Jambers.

Again, Mr. Speaker, my heartfelt congratulations to all those associated with the Cheerleaders of the Victoria Memorial High School in Victoria, Texas on a job well done.